Job Title Prairie Specialist-Seasonal position-1-2 positions available

Auto req ID 16686BR

Location Prairie Resource Center, Lehigh, Iowa

Department

542-Natural Resources

Start Dates and Length

April 2016 – October 2016

Salary Minimum \$10.94-\$12.55/hour depending on experience

Job Description ■

- Identify and harvest seed of specific prairie species from prairie remnants across the state.
- Assist in the propagation of prairie species at greenhouse and plot areas.
- Assist in the direction volunteers, inmate offenders, and other staff in cleaning, planting, and harvest of prairie plant materials.
- Assist in the planting and establishment of native grass and forb production fields.
- Coordinate volunteer activities within the Prairie Resource Unit
- Assist with prairie and conservation education activities with various groups of people.
- Assist with writing and organization of newsletter.
- Assist with harvest and storage of prairie seed.
- Assist with distribution of plant materials to various DNR entities.
- Participate in personal and professional development training activities.
- Be a part of a prescribed fire team and participate in prairie burns-will be required to have or take S-130/190.
- Control noxious weeds in seed production areas. Beneficial to have pesticide applicators license prior to employment.

Minimum Qualifications

- Graduated from or currently enrolled in or on break between semesters of college, or about to enter first semester of college from high school.
- Major must be in Wildlife Ecology, Horticulture, Landscape Architecture or another closely related Natural Resource Field.
- Must be available for all interviews and training as required
- Must have a valid motor vehicle operator's license
- Must be a minimum of 18 years of age
- Able to work alone, with the public, in all conditions, on weekends, holidays, nights, and evenings as required.
- Able to withstand physically demanding work, including

- lifting, bending, or hauling
- Work with minimal supervision, demonstrate responsible behavior and attention to detail
- Follow policy and cooperate with supervisors and coworkers
- Exhibits honesty and integrity.
- Works and communicates with internal and external clients and customers to meet their needs in a polite, courteous and cooperative manner.
- Displays a high level of initiative, effort and commitment towards completing assignments efficiently.
- Aligns behavior with needs, priorities, and goals of the organization.

Post Close Date February 4, 2016

To Apply: Please send resume and cover letter to Bill Johnson at:

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Or

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Position/s will be filled depending on funding